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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 10, 2003, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the instant application in view of the following remarks.

The instant Response contains no Amendments to the Claims.

The instant Response contains an Amendment to the Specification on page 1 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

Please amend the instant application as follows:

On Page 2 of the Application, prior to line 4, please add the following paragraph:

-- The instant application claims priority under 35 USC § 120 to application serial number 09/040,972, now US Patent Number 6,324,685. --